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SATELLITE ECONOMY BOASTS NEW CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVED METHODS

POLAND BUILDS WORKERS' CITIES -- Paris, La Journee du Batiment, 2 Feb 54

The ZOR (Zaklad Osiedli Robotniczych, Workers' Settlement Enterprise) fulfilled its plan 101 percent. It made available 12 dwelling units per hour throughout Poland. It rebuilt 105,100 units, built 20,000 units in Stalinogrod Wojewodztwo, 19,000 in Warsaw Wojewodztwo, and 7,160 at Nowa Huta. The plan was not completely fulfilled in Koszalin and Rzeszow wojewodztwos. But the ZOR reports an increase of 18,589 dwelling units, or an increase of 23 percent over 1952. In addition, during 1953 the ZOR opened 453 grocery stores, 4 cultural centers, 21 nurseries, 22 kindergartens, 6 elementary schools, 5 health centers, and 150 crafts shops.

CENTRAL-HEATING PLANT IN HUNGARIAN CITY -- Paris, La Journee du Batiment, 27 Jan 54

A large central-heating plant in the city of Szatlinvaros furnishes heat for all industrial establishments and several apartment building. The central boilerhouse contains eight boilers, four of which are already in operation. They supply steam and hot water through insulated underground pipes. At present 30 buildings, including the hospital, are being served. The fine coal which feeds the boilers is crushed in the basement of the boilerhouse and carried to the fires automatically. Boiler water is softened with an apparatus imported from the GDR.

Similar plants are to be installed in Komlo and Ujpest.

SOVIET BUSINESS METHODS INTRODUCED IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA -- Zurich, Neue Zuercher Zeitung, 10 Feb 54

A congress of workers of the nationalized business enterprises have decided to extend the business hours of stores for weekdays and Sundays, to adopt new checking methods, and to replace men behind sales counters with women. The congress further agreed unanimously to introduce the Soviet Khozraschet accounting system. -- F. G.

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NEW POLISH METHOD OF PRODUCING CEMENT -- Paris, La Journee du Batiment, 27 Jan 54

The concrete-production service of the Instytut Techniki Budowlanej (Institute of Construction Technology) in Warsaw has perfected a new method of producing cement and reinforced concrete. The method consists primarily of using cellulose waste. The new process will lower construction costs by reducing the amount of cement used.

NEW BRICK-BURNING METHOD IN POLAND -- Paris, La Journee du Batiment, 2 Feb 54

Workers at the Instytut Techniki Budowlanej in Warsaw have perfected a new, inexpensive, and fast method of burning bricks. Stone [coal?] dust is added to the clay, reducing burning time by 18 percent and permitting a large saving in coal.

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